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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUALA LUMPUR 6568

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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION WITH PRC AMBASSADOR

1. AT A DINNER SATURDAY EVENING BY THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR, THE PRC AMBASSADOR STRUCK UP A CONVERSATION WITH ME FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS EIGHT MONTHS OR SO IN KUALA LUMPUR. THE CONVERSATION LASTED TEN MINUTES OR SO BEFORE WE WERE JOINED BY OTHERS, AND WAS CONDUCTED ENTIRELY THROUGH HIS INTERPRETER, ALTHOUGH HE UNDERSTANDS AND SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH.

2. THE PRC AMBASSADOR'S INITIATIVE WITH ME WAS MORE INTERESTING THAN THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CONVERSATION. HE QUERIED ME ABOUT A SPEECH I HAD GIVEN IN MALACCA SOME TWO MONTHS AGO ABOUT U.S.-MALAYSIA'S ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS, AND HE ALSO NOTED THAT HE HAD READ ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE'S RECENT HONOLULU SPEECH. HE ASKED FOR MY ASSESSMENT OF THE MALAYSIAN ECONOMY AND TRENDS IN U.S.-MALAYSIAN TRADE, AND MALAYSIAN GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST IN FOREIGN INVESTMENT.
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